

TOWN PLAN & ZONING COMMISSION

MINUTES

Thursday, November 17, 2011

The Town of Bloomfield Town Plan & Zoning Commission held a meeting on November 17, 2011 scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, 800 Bloomfield Avenue in Bloomfield, Connecticut with the following members present:

Present:

Barry Berson, Chairman

Nick Panke, Secretary

Fannie Gabriel

Alfred LeFebvre

Byron Lester

Elene Needelman

Barbara Reid

Also Present: Thomas Hooper

Absent:

Abraham Ford, Jr.

Charlotte Gregg

Maureen Sullivan,

Recording Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mr. Berson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Organizational Meeting:

The By-laws require all full regular commissioners to be in attendance to elect officers. Therefore the following items were tabled until the next meeting.

A. Election of Officers

B. Appointment of Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission Members

Mr. Panke and Mr. Berson would like to continue on the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission.

C. Appointment of Capitol Region Council of Governments Representatives

Mr. LeFebvre would like to continue as an Alternate on the Capitol Region Council of Governments, and Mr. Ford was the regular member.

D. Review and Adoption of By-Laws

3. Minutes of October 27, 2011

Mr. Panke made a motion to approve the minutes of October 27, 2011. Ms. Needelman seconded the motion and it was approved (Mr. LeFebvre and Mr. Lester refrained from voting).

Mr. Hooper stated the Blue Hills Avenue zone change application approved last month was appealed in court.

4. 2012 Meeting Schedule

There was no vote on the 2012 meeting schedule.

5. Draft of the Plan of Conservation and Development

Mr. Hooper stated the Plan of Development Steering Committee first met in February 2010 and has had 13 meetings. Mr. Jason Vincent from Planimetrics in Avon has been working with the committee. The TPZ has the final draft dated 10/28/11. There was a public survey; however there were only 100 responses to the survey. The last public information meeting has been scheduled for January 11, 2012. The Plan of Conservation and Development will then come before the TPZ for a public hearing.

Mr. Panke thought the plan has definite improvements and objectives

Mr. Hooper stated the Council will need to endorse the plan in order for the town to get reimbursed for all the consulting costs.

Ms. Needelman asked about implementation of the plan 10 years ago. Mr. Hooper stated the town completed about 2/3 of the items in the plan.

Mr. LeFebvre believed two major points were missing. Mr. LeFebvre stated the plan does not discuss how to prevent flooding in Wash Brook. Mr. Berson believed that was a function of the operational side of the town government. Mr. Hooper discussed page 96 which discusses the flooding at the library. Mr. LeFebvre also asked about ownership of the south Cottage Grove lands. Mr. Hooper discussed these lands.

Mr. Hooper stated the town is hoping to finalize a contract with a debris hauling firm to start picking up debris on the side of the road.

Ms. Gabriel made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Ms. Needelman seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Nick Panke, Secretary

Maureen Sullivan, Recording Secretary